



City of Albuquerque

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CITY of ALBUQUERQUE SIXTEENTH COUNCIL

Calling For The Establishment Of A "First" Robotics Competition In Albuquerque;
Appropriating Funds For The Event.

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WHEREAS, the FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Robotics Competition, a program founded by Dean Kamen (creator of the revolutionary Segway Transportation Device) has been held in cities around the country since 1989; and

WHEREAS, a FIRST Robotics Competition in Albuquerque will be a world-class economic development program bringing together civic leadership, Albuquerque's Public School system, our City's high tech private sector and high school youth with volunteer professional engineers and scientists as mentors; and

WHEREAS, the FIRST Robotics Competition is an event that has the excitement of sports, while building self-confidence, knowledge and life skills amongst the teams of young people involved; and

WHEREAS, support of the FIRST program in Albuquerque is an innovative, long-term economic development strategy toward inspiring our city's young people to take on careers within Albuquerque's unique industry clusters of science and technology.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE:

The amount of \$50,000 is appropriated from the Unreserved Fund Balance in the General Fund to City Council Services to support a FIRST Robotics Competition.